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PATENT  
Attorney Docket No.: 85761-000510US  
Client Reference No.: AR009US

**IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**

In re application of:

OKUNO, Kazutoshi  
FUKUOKA, Shuichi

Application No.: 09/560,780

Filed: April 28, 2000

For: Method for Identifying Field  
Resistance of Rice to Rice Blast

Examiner: Unassigned

Art Unit: Unassigned

PETITION TO EXTEND TIME

Assistant Commissioner for Patents  
Washington, D.C. 20231

Sir:

Applicants petition the Assistant Commissioner of Patents to extend the time for response to the Notice to File Missing Parts dated for 5 months, from September 10, 2000 to February 10, 2001. An appropriate response in the form of a Response to Notice to File Missing Parts is enclosed herewith.

Please charge the fee of \$1890.00 to the undersigned's Deposit Account No. 20-1430. Please charge any additional fees or credit overpayment to the above deposit account.

This petition is submitted in triplicate.

Respectfully submitted,

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